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THE PROVINCIAL POLICE RAID A GAMBLING DEN IN SIDNEY

Gather in Twelve Celestials and a Large Quantity of Wines
and Liquors, also an Opium Bed and Smoking Outfit
---Sentence passed Was Not a Heavy One

For several months past Constable McDonald, of the Provincial Police, has been keeping an eye on Chinatown, and particularly on the store of a certain Chinaman named Chong Lee, as he had good reason for believing that a good deal more went on behind those closed shutters than the proprietor was willing for the police and public to know. Some two or three weeks ago a raid was organized on this establishment but failed completely, owing to the fact that the constables who were to take part in the raid arrived in town on the six o'clock train and were around town during the early part of the evening. Evidently their intention was made known to the wily Chinaman, as on entering the store there was not the slightest evidence of anything wrong.

Constable McDonald, however, laid much better plans for the raid that took place on Saturday evening last and had arranged with the head office to send out Constables R. Owens, R. Armstrong and C. S. Richards to help with the roundup. Promptly at twelve o'clock on the evening in question an automobile carrying the party drew up in front of the Chinese store and without a moment's hesitation or warning of any kind, the four constables walked in upon the most surprised bunch of Chinamen in British Columbia. Several gambling tables were in full swing. Gold, silver and paper money was there in abundance, but as it was not on the tables actually in operation the police could not gather it in.

The frightened Orientals showed no fight of any kind, so much were they taken by surprise, and although there were plenty of fire arms of all descriptions within easy reach, it did take long to gather them into a separate room where they were guarded by part of the posse while the balance proceeded to make a thorough search of the premises.

This search did not prove fruitless, as was clearly demonstrated by the three cases of whisky, three cases of French and Chinese wine, two or three demijohns of rum and two sacks containing bottles of other kinds of liquor, besides several bottles of fancy French wines. And this was not all the search revealed, as in a corner of the premises they discovered an opium bed, an opium lamp and pipe and a small quantity of the sleep producer, all of which were transferred to the court house and put on exhibition there as evidence against the accused when they came up for trial.

After the search was completed the work of transferring the prisoners to the jail was commenced and it was nearly four o'clock in the morning before the last of the twelve prisoners was placed behind the bars and the last case of liquor landed in the court room, it being necessary to use the automobile to transfer the latter.

Seldom has Sidney witnessed such a scene of activity on Sunday morning as that which took place when people began to make inquiries in regard to their Chinese servants who had failed to make their usual appearance that morning, and when they were informed that they were locked up for the time being and bail to the extent of \$25 would have to be forthcoming before they would be released, they began to get busy.

Resthaven, perhaps, suffered most in this respect as four of the employees were among those gathered in. They were released, however, about ten o'clock on bail being furnished by the manager.

Mr. J. J. White, J.P., held several short sessions during the day as bail was presented for one or another of the Chinamen. This privilege was not extended to Chung Lee, however, as the charge laid against him was of too serious a nature, being the sale of liquor and having opium in his possession. The other eleven could only be charged with participating in the gambling and as on-lookers.

PUBLIC ABATTOIR.

A public abattoir for Victoria is project which Alderman Dilworth is now investigating. It is probable that at an early meeting of the city council he will seek the appointment of a committee to go into the whole subject and report. Some years ago the subject was before the council and was discussed at length, but nothing definite was done towards carrying out the project.

TAX PAYERS OF WARD SIX ENTER STRONG PROTEST

They Pray That Work May Be Commenced on Saanich Road in the
Near Future---Error in Contract Not Glaring, So They Say

At a large and representative meeting of the Tax Payers of Ward Six South Saanich Municipality, held Saturday night, the following resolution was unanimously passed, and ordered sent to the Reeve and Councillors of the said Municipality:

"Whereas the Council has taken legal proceedings against the Warren Paving Company, which may result in placing the municipality under a large financial obligation through litigation, and whereas the present Council was endorsed by a large majority, due largely to the promise of putting the contract through under rigid supervision;

And whereas the trunk roads are in a deplorable condition, making necessary the spending of a large sum to put in repair, should contract not be proceeded with;

And whereas the large number of

HIS HONOR THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND MRS. PATERSON ACCORD THEIR PATRONAGE TO THE FLOWER SHOW.

A letter has been received by Mrs. J. J. White, chairman of the Flower Show Committee, from the Lieutenant Governor in which his honor expressed the pleasure afforded Mrs. Paterson and himself in according their patronage to the Flower Show to be held in Sidney on July 11th next.

His honor stated, however, that at such an early date he could not definitely promise to perform the opening ceremony.

JOAN'S OFFICER FISHES HARNESS OUT OF SEA

Roll of Wire Dropped Overboard Has
Not Yet Been Recovered
From the Deep.

About two weeks ago while unloading freight from the S. S. Joan, a roll of wire fencing was accidentally dropped overboard, and every day since not a little amusement has been caused by the variety of catches made by members of the crew in their endeavor to recover the wire by fishing for it with a line and hook. On Tuesday last the usual angling operations were pursued with the result that a complete set of harness was salvaged from the sea, and while this was not exactly what they were looking for, the fishermen were more than pleased and some went so far as to express their hopes that they might catch the horse next time, intimating that where the horse and harness were the fence might be also.

There is no charity in shouldering other people's burdens until you are sure you are carrying your own.

SUCCESSFUL ENTERTAINMENT IN AID OF THE READING ROOM

Sidney Amateurs Present Pleasing Programme to the Large
Audience in Berquist's Hall on Evening of St. Patrick's
Day---Impromptu Dance Follows Programme

That Sidney has many amateurs of which she can be justly proud was clearly demonstrated at the entertainment given on Tuesday evening last by members of the Dramatic Club in aid of the Public Reading Room established some time ago in Sidney. That the citizens are fully aware of the benefit of supporting a reading room in the town was also clearly shown by the manner in which they packed the large hall on this occasion.

When the curtain ran up on the first act there were seated before the footlights somewhere in the neighborhood of three hundred people and they thoroughly enjoyed every number presented.

A pleasing feature of the evening's entertainment, and one that was highly appreciated by all present, was the excellent rendering of the overture by the North Saanich Orchestra, composed of Mrs. Whiting, pianist; Mr. Colin McDonald, violinist; Mr. Saunders, cornetist, and Mr. Musgrave, violinist. This musical combination made its initial appearance at this entertainment, in fact it was practically organized for this particular occasion, and composed as it is of residents of the district who are gifted with many talents, it is to be hoped that it will not be long until the citizens have again the pleasure of listening to their splendid orchestra.

A comedy in one act entitled "The Conversion of Nat Sturge," was well staged and deserved the hearty applause it received. Nat was a burglar, who, with his accomplice, a novice at the business, attempted to rob a bishop's residence, but owing to the nervousness of his assistant who had dropped the "jemmy" while climbing over the fence, they made too much

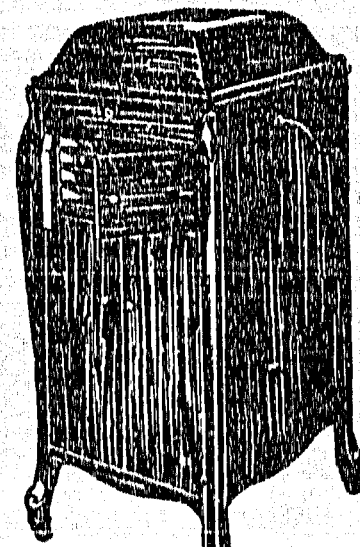
noise in attempting to open the safe, and Nat was fairly trapped by the good bishop, who was a very religious old fellow and proceeded to make a convert instead of a convict out of Nat by promising him a very large amount of money if he would quit his evil ways—and there was one other condition attached. The worthy bishop had a daughter who was getting on in years and whom he was very anxious to see married—Nat must marry the daughter. It was jail on the one hand and marriage on the other, neither of which did Nat relish in the least and he did not know which was the greater or lesser evil, but decided to accept the term of hard labor.

Mr. P. N. Tester's impersonation of Bishop Minterweir was well carried out, but as a typical burglar, of the kind we read about in dime novels, Mr. Norman Simister, as Nat Sturge, kept the audience in a merry mood by his witty and comical sayings, while Miss Simister, as Julia, the Bishop's daughter, left little to be desired in her portrayal of a real old maid bent on getting married, no matter to whom.

Mr. J. Cochran, a new arrival in our midst, made his bow to a Sidney audience for the first time, and rendered two selections, "The Boys of the Old Brigade," and "Under the Chestnut Tree," in a very pleasing manner. Mr. Cochran is the possessor of a splendid voice and will be a welcome addition to the musical talent of the town.

Mr. F. A. Saunder's cornet solo, "Schubert's Serenade," was also well received, but when Sidney's favorite singer, Miss Middleton, made her appearance before the footlights and sang "The Little Irish Girl," round

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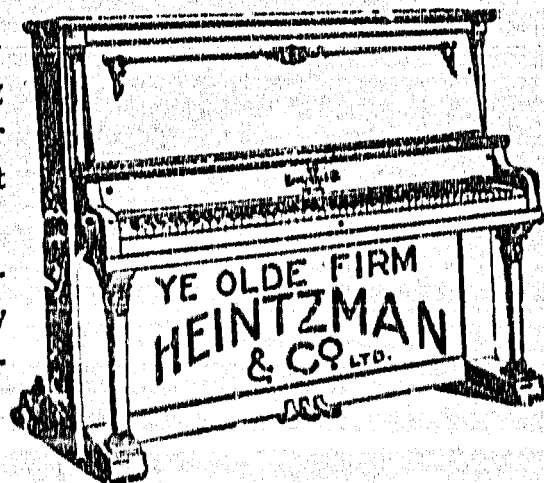
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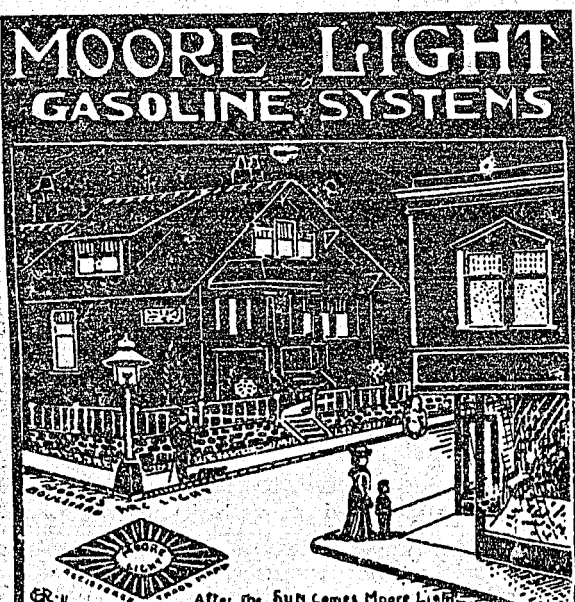
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THE SPICE OF LIFE.

THEATRICAL NOTE.

Lloyd George and Winston Churchill made their exit from a recent cabinet council arm in arm, and went to take tea together. The best actors are not all on the stage.

A LITTLE TALE OF DAILY LIFE.

I was ill.
I went to the doctor.
He gave me a prescription written in some strange hieroglyphics. I could not understand them.
I became well again.
He gave me a bill, written in good, plain English.

MISSED THE POINT.

There is a new book out, entitled, "How to Write a Play." That's nothing. What we all want is a straight tip on how to sell the bally thing.

AN INVENTION WORTH WHILE.

Marconi has a nice little invention all fixed up by which he can light a lamp by wireless at a distance of six miles.

What we want is some practical and handy device to stir up the furnace fire in the middle of the night without getting out of our cosy little bed.

THE QUESTION.

Militant suffragettes threaten to kidnap the babies of a London woman who denounced militant methods. But the question arises—what on earth would militants do with babies?

THE CONSOLATION.

Out of all this Mexican muss there comes a tiny crumb of comfort to the average man. Alberto Terrazas, a young Mexican millionaire, driven by the rebels across the border into the United States, has had to go to work.

THE WORST OF IT.

Many a man would like to be a sport if he could avoid the necessity of reading the sporting pages.

THE INEVITABLE.

It has now been discovered that the tango is a religious ceremony among certain South American tribes. It will now be worth while keeping an eye on the United States for the springing up of some new tango-cult.

A PARADOX.

Love is the greatest thing—the most beautiful thing in the world. Yet any fool can make it.

NOT ALL IN JAIL.

The recent jailing of Japanese editors for their attacks on the government give timely point to the remarks of a labor union representative at a banquet held not long ago in Toronto. This man was a German just lately out from the fatherland, and he told the banqueters how the struggle for labor unionism had been carried on under great difficulties in Germany.

"We had won our way hard," said he, "and now we have many editors with us—not all of them in jail."

BOUND TO GET THEM.

A Toronto preacher has now adopted the device of handing out his sermon in printed form at the end of the service to the congregation. He is evidently bound to get them either asleep or awake.

HE WAS NO DUNCE.

Little Jimmy, though he attended Sunday school every week did not know quite as much about Scriptural history as he should have known, but when his sister asked him "Where

was Solomon's Temple?" he was rather angry that she should think him unable to answer such a simple question.

"Don't you think I know anything?" he asked.

"Well, where was it, then?" his sister repeated. Then he informed her.

"On the side of his forehead, of course—same as other folks. D'ye think I'm a dunce?"

Receipt for Righteousness—Live up to the epitaph on your tombstone.

THE JOKE ON THE FAT KNIGHT

Sir George Reid, the Australian High Commissioner in London, is a fat man. He weighs at least 300 pounds and isn't ashamed of it, though he finds it a bit trying at times.

Canadians had some opportunity of glimpsing his great girth when he visited the Dominion a little over a year ago. Lately Sir George, who relishes a good joke at his own expense, as do most men who have a real sense of humor, has been telling a little tale concerning this same bulk of his.

It seems that he was making a speech at some big gathering not long ago, and his portly figure duly impressed the audience. It was a speech in which he grew somewhat reminiscent, and reviewed his long public career.

"But now," he said, "I realize that my career is rapidly nearing its close. I am no longer a young man. Soon the end of things earthly will come, as far as I am concerned, and I will pass into the Great Beyond."

Though this was said impressively, it did not impress a wag at the back of the hall, who called out quite clearly:

"Then the fat will be in the fire!"

NOT AWARE OF IT.

One of the leading Baptist divines of New Brunswick was once in charge of a church, which, like many others, possessed an exceedingly cranky and self-righteous deacon, who sternly frowned on all frivolities of the world in general, and fast horses in particular.

Now, the minister dearly loved a good horse and was fortunate enough to own one that could "go some"—a matter which caused the good deacon considerable spiritual unrest.

One morning as the minister was preparing for his usual drive he overtook the deacon.

"Good morning," said the pastor, cheerily; "won't you have a drive down the flat?"

"No," said the deacon, sternly. "I am a Christian."

"I beg your pardon," said the minister, as he drove on. "I was not aware of it."

HOBSON'S CHOICE.

An Eastern man who was on a business trip through the West stopped at the small hotel in a country town one day. He entered the dining room and was shown to a table by a waiter.

"Will you have some pork and beans sir?" asked the waiter, as he brought the customary glass of water.

"No, I don't care for them," answered the man. "I never eat pork and beans."

"Dinner is over, then Sir," said the waiter, as he moved away.

THE FIRST UMBRELLA.

March has always been noted as a stormy month, and it was quite appropriate that the first American umbrella should have been hoisted in that month. It was just 144 years ago, this month, March 1770, that an umbrella was first seen on the streets of an American city. Baltimore has the honor of being the birthplace

of that most useful and now generally used contrivance for protection from rain. To the hardy Marylander of that period, the umbrella was an effeminate device, and the man who first carried one was hooted and jeered.

The Baltimore umbrella was a French importation, crude and heavy and bore slight resemblance to the umbrella of to-day, which has been reduced to the size of a walking stick and opens at the touch of a spring. Many years passed before Americans generally adopted the device.

Early English and American dictionaries defined the umbrella as a portable penthouse to carry in a person's hand to screen him from violent rain or heat. Portable they were after a fashion, although they were too heavy and cumbersome for the strength of the average woman.

France, Spain and Italy were the first European countries to adopt the umbrella, which came to them from the Orient, where the device had been in use since remote times, and where in many countries it was considered a symbol of royalty or dignity. Umbrellas appear in the carvings at Persepolis. Ancient Chinaware shows figures shaded by umbrellas.

In England, as on this side of the Atlantic, the umbrella was at first greeted with scorn. Jonas Hanway, the philanthropist, is said to have been the first Englishman who generally used an umbrella in the streets of London. The umbrella was bitterly denounced by the hackney coachmen and chairmen of London, who carried on a prosperous business on rainy days, and who feared that a general adoption of the umbrella would work injury to their trade.

Some eight years after the first umbrella had been introduced into America, John Macdonald, a London footman wrote an autobiography in which he remarked that he possessed "a fine silk umbrella," which he had brought from Spain, and added: "But I could not with any comfort to myself use it, the people calling out, 'Frenchman, why don't you get a coach?'" The footman adds that he "persisted for three months, till the people took no further notice of this novelty. Foreigners began to use theirs in London, and then the English."

HE KNEW.

Mother—"Well, you ought to have a hobby. Do you know what a hobby is?"

Son (aged nine)—"Of course I do. A husband."

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UPLIFTING SERMONS ARE PREACHED BY THE BISHOP

"The Gospel is Not Losing Its Hold
On the Masses," Declares His
Lordship.

On Sunday last the Rt. Rev. Dr. Roper, Bishop of Columbia, preached at St. Mary's church in the morning, at Keating's in the afternoon and at St. Stephen's in the evening. Mr. Henry Nicholson placed his automobile at the service of the Bishop and although he had broken his thumb previously, and must have suffered considerably, he drove the auto himself. In the morning the text of the sermon was "Jesus of Nazareth passeth by." Referring to blind Bartimeus the bishop said that the eye is merely an instrument through which the spirit sees, just as the telephone is an instrument through which a man speaks. The man leaves the telephone and it is silent; the man, or his spirit leaves the body and the eye sees not. Applying this thought to Jesus Christ we were shown that the great incomprehensible spirit of God spoke through the lips and saw through the eyes of his divine humanity. It was a beautiful illustration of the unity of the Holy Trinity.

In the afternoon the subject of his discourse was "The Good Shepherd." In it the bishop was very optimistic. It is a glorious age in which we live, distance is annihilated, men fly in the air and talk at a distance of thousands of miles; the sick are healed as they never were before. More than this, despite much evidence to the contrary, the gospel is not losing its hold on the masses. More bibles are sold than ever before. His Lordship showed that Christianity is the only power that can save us from the fate of Babylon and other great civilizations, the remains of which to-day are a heap of ruins, or the cities lie buried deep in the sand, and which, when excavated, yield exquisite works of art some of which are finer than anything of present day manufacture. Many expressed their appreciation of the discourses, notwithstanding the fact that every Sunday we have the privilege of listening to discourses of the very highest order.

A meeting called by Mr. H. Tanner to discuss the road contracts was held at Keating on Saturday last. Mr. Tanner said he had hoped that as the contractors had shown that they were trying to do all in their power to make things right, that he would have had better news. He had learned from the papers that the fatal step had been taken and an injunction applied for to squash the contract. Mr. Tanner, while unwilling to inculcate anyone and being desirous of working for the good of the whole municipality, led the audience to believe that he was not being dealt fairly with, and that the majority of the councillors did not take him into their confidence. A strong resolution was passed without a single dissenting voice. The meeting expressed great indignation at the rashness shown by the council in rushing to the law courts, with the possibility of squandering perhaps \$100,000. Several other meetings are to be called and a pretty stiff fight is promised over the matter by ward six. The meeting was absolutely unanimous.

CARSON TALKS VERY PLAIN.

In a recent dispatch from London the statement is made that Earl Grey, on being interviewed in New Zealand upon the question of Home Rule for Ireland, was asked, if the report about officers of the army resigning their commissions is true, he replied that he believed Sir Edward Carson's pockets were stuffed with letters, offering resignation, but he told them their duty was to obey the crown. The Ulstermen have a just

cause and were prepared to make any legitimate sacrifice, but one sacrifice they were not prepared to make, namely, to encourage sedition in His Majesty's army.

Sir Edward Carson, added Earl Grey, has not made a single mistake. His influence had kept the Ulstermen peaceful although threatened with the withdrawal of their liberties. His action would, probably, lead to a settlement by general consent. Earl Grey repeated that now was the opportunity for a settlement on federal lines, and unless Premier Asquith was too far indebted to John Redmond, there was hope the counsels of moderation and statesmanship would prevail, and we were on the eve of a settlement which would bring contentment and prosperity to Ireland, and increased strength to the Empire.

Earl Grey has cabled to Sir Edward Carson that it is certain Australia will subscribe £25,000 to the Ulster fund.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION ELECT THEIR OFFICERS

Mr. F. M. Humber is the New President and Mr. W. Pridham the Secretary.

The annual meeting of the Sidney Athletic Association was held in Berquist's small hall last Friday evening, with President P. N. Tester in the chair.

Secretary A. Critchley read the minutes of the last annual meeting, which were passed without much comment.

The financial report for the past year was then read and did not prove as satisfactory as a majority of the members would have wished. The books of the association had not been kept in an up-to-date manner, and while it was possible to find that certain amounts had been paid out on certain dates, yet it seemed impossible to find out just what goods or equipment the amounts represented. A deficit of about \$25 was made quite plain, however, as accounts covering this amount were laid on the table.

A heated discussion was beginning to gain force in regard to certain matters passed upon at the last regular meeting of the association held a short time ago, but President Tester would not stand for it, and informed the speakers who were bandying words back and forth across the hall that the meeting in question was the time and place in which the matter should have been threshed out. He accordingly ruled them out of order.

The election of officers for the ensuing year then took place, resulting in Mr. F. M. Humber being elected president, Mr. Frank Morris, vice-president, and Mr. W. Pridham, secretary-treasurer, all by acclamation.

The selection of an executive committee to aid the officers in carrying on the work took some little time, a discussion taking place as to the number to be appointed. After the meeting had been addressed by Mr. S. Lorimer, president of the Victoria Football League, who was present as a visitor, and who informed the members that in his opinion an executive of four members would be sufficient for a club of this size, his recommendation was adopted and the following four members duly elected:

Mr. P. Shrimpton, to represent the football interests; Mr. A. Gehrke, the baseball; Mr. E. Munro, the lacrosse, and Mr. D. Horth, the basketball.

It was also decided to hold regular monthly meetings of the club and the matter of arranging a suitable date each month was left in the hands of the executive committee.

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ENTERTAINMENT IN AID OF THE READING ROOM

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after round of applause greeted her, and the audience would not be satisfied until she appeared again.

The orchestra then played several Irish melodies dear to the heart of the Irishman, especially on this particular day of the year.

Perhaps the real treat of the evening, and one that could not properly be classed as an amateur attempt, was the character sketch by Mr. Bob Sican, the Scottish comedian. Bob was in fine metal and never appeared to such good advantage to a Sidney audience before. He was compelled to respond to an encore and gave that exceedingly interesting selection "The Shirt I Left Behind Me."

A rather unique feature of the programme was the musical turn put on by Messrs. L. E. Spencer, F. Pfister, J. Scarlett, P. N. Tester, W. Cowell and H. Lee, each of whom were called upon in turn to either sing a song, tell a story or do something else by way of entertainment. As a result the audience was treated to several splendid musical selections.

Another selection by the orchestra after which the curtain ran up on a "Busy Time in Darktown," a one act comedy. The stage was transformed into a general store where all kinds of merchandise were being offered for sale by a darkey named Slim Jim. His first customer was Slippery Dick who succeeded in eating a little of everything in sight without paying a cent for it. He was finally thrown out by the storekeeper. Mrs. Blue-nose entered at this stage and received a blow on her new bonnet that was directed at the other darkey, and she made things lively for a little while by chasing the proprietor with her umbrella. Patent Pete, a commercial traveller, now arrived at the store and tried by every means in his power to sell the storekeeper a patent sausage he had invented. The wrecking of the store in a mad chase by the police after a thief brought the laughable little farce to a finish.

Altogether the evening was a most successful one, not only as an entertainment, but from a financial standpoint as well. After all expenses have been paid there will still be a net surplus of about \$60 to go toward the running expenses of the Reading Room.

After the concert an impromptu dance was organized and a large number of those present expressed their willingness by taking part in this form of entertainment, the music being supplied by the North Saanich Orchestra.

PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN FOR FOLLOWING VARIETIES

In connection with the forthcoming Flower Show the list following is published, not to state what the prizes will be, but to let the public know what prizes will be given for. In the near future a prize list will be published in the regular form and will be issued to all persons desiring them.

Special prizes will be given for the following:

Collection of named wild flowers, 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Best crimson carnations grown out doors.

Best collection perennials shown separately and named.

Decorated dinner table, flowers grown by exhibitor.

Collection of annuals, shown separately and named.

Collection of sweet peas, shown separately and named.

Five-Tea Roses and five Hybrid perpetual roses named.

Prizes will be given for bouquets as follows:

Bridal shower.

Hand bouquet.

Gentleman's buttonhole, three.

Ladies' spray, two.

Other entries: A bowl of roses to be judged for effect.

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Collection of Roses, named.

Salpiglossis.

Stocks.

Sunflowers.

Sweet Peas—white, pink, red, mauve and other varieties.

Verbenas.

ROSES.

La France, Gloire Dijon, Frau Karl, Druski, Hugh Dickson, Papa Gontier, Viscountess Folkestone, Winnie Davis, Kaiserina A. Victoria, Tapletz, Caroline Testout, Rainbow, Les Progress, Mrs. John Lang, Franz Weighan, Lady Roberts, General Jacqueminot, Marian Cochet, Dorothy Perkins, Climbing Perle, Homer.

Collection of climbers.

PLANTS.

Begonias—Rex, Tuberous and Fibrous; Geranium—single and double; Ferns—collection and specimen; Foliage Plants, collection; Palms; Foliage, specimen; Flowering Plants; Specimen plant in flower; Hanging Basket.

Harry Lee, the well-known screen-comedian, while playing in a burlesque directed by Walter McNamara, sprained his right knee. His part was so important that he could not be substituted. Lee, therefore, continued his difficult work with his knee in a plaster cast, covered by an adhesive plaster. As a result of his energy he will have to wear a rubber knee cap for several months.

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MINISTER COMPLIMENTED.

Many are the compliments received by Hon. William R. Ross, Minister of Lands, for the Timber Royalty Bill in which the principle of profit-sharing in the timber resources was a feature. Prominent Canadians and residents of the United States, including members of the cabinet of that country, have sent letters warmly commending the new act.

Hon. Clifford Sifton, President of the Canadian Commission of Conservation, writes congratulating the Minister of Lands and says: "I have repeatedly said during the past year that British Columbia was the most advanced province in the Dominion so far as attention to the question of forest protection was concerned, and I may now say the same thing in regard to the question of disposition of timber belonging to the Province."

Henry S. Graves, Chief Forester of the United States, writes: "I have just learned of the recent action by British Columbia with reference to the royalty on public timber. I want to express my pleasure at the great progress which has been made in your country and to extend my heartiest congratulations. The recognition of the right of the public to share in the increasing value of public timber is, in my opinion, a vital one."

The Secretary of the Department of Agriculture of the United States writes: "The plan of readjusting stumpage values of timber at stated intervals in sales from public lands whereby the public will derive a fair share of the increase in lumber values is one in which I am in hearty accord. You will doubtless be interested in learning that a provision of this character is included by this department in all contracts for sales of timber from National Forest lands where the period of contract is in excess of five years, and that it has been accepted as equitable by timber operators. I feel that you are to be heartily congratulated on this progressive legislation."

THAT POTATO SCAB.

Now that the time is drawing near when potato planting will be in full swing, a word as to taking precaution that sound seed is selected should not be amiss. We refer chiefly to the prevention of the powdery scab which in the eastern part of the Dominion is causing alarm, but which has not made its appearance in British Columbia.

Where this potato disease originated is not for us to say, it is sufficient to warn people to avoid it by careful inspection of the seed. Powdery scab is primarily a disease of the potato tuber. It shows itself in its early stages by the presence on the skin of the tuber of a larger or smaller number of scabs somewhat similar to a slight infection with common scab.

On close examination it will be seen that, notwithstanding a close resemblance, the "scabs" of the powdery scab disease are more regular in shape. In this state the disease is considered of no greater economic importance than the common scab. However, when potatoes affected with powdery scab—like a number of other potato diseases transmitted by infected tubers—are being used for seed and planted on land that has previously produced powdery scab in po-

tatoes, the disease will assume a more serious character.

Where sound tubers are planted on land preferably never before used for potatoes, this disease, and a number of others which depreciate the market value of potatoes, will have little chance to cause damage. But rather than run the risk of producing an infected crop and introducing the disease into new land, it would be far more advisable to dispose of all infected tubers for consumption, or to use them for food for stock and secure sound seed potatoes elsewhere.

BUSINESS IMPROVING.

It was announced Saturday by Mr. H. E. Beasley, general superintendent of the E. & N. Railway Company, that the freight business throughout the system has been steadily improving during the past few weeks. One of the reasons is that the lumber industry appears to be picking up materially. Both the Island Lumber Co. and the Alberni Mill, after having been closed down for a short time, are in operation again and are making regular shipments.

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It is the policy of the concern not to turn a job down more than once, and if through the lack of certain tools or machinery a repair had to be refused, that tool or machine was obtained in order to be ready for a second call, and a good instance of this policy was illustrated only last week when a boat which needed to be taken out of the water was found too large to be got near the present marine ways, and the job had to be turned down. "But it won't happen again," remarked Mr. Williams. "There's going to be another forty feet added to those ways inside of two weeks," thus emphasizing the progressive policy adopted.

In addition to repairs, boats of all kinds are built and equipped and at the present time a twenty-four foot launch is on the stocks. This boat when complete will seat ten people, and the engine to be installed will be good for ten miles an hour.

Steam engines and automobiles also find relief from their troubles at this shop and the time is not far distant when a special building will be erected to house the latter. It would have been pleasant to remain longer to listen to Mr. Williams' dealings with the Indians who come with their "sick" engines to be "made go," but the chug, chug of his own engine and a broken propeller shaft in sight reminded the representation of the Review that a machine shop when work was going on was no place in which to carry on a conversation.

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Truth About the Canadian Northern.

By WILLIAM H. MOORE,
Secretary, Canadian Northern

That the Canadian Northern Railway System has been subsidized in excess of its legitimate requirements and that moneys voted by Parliament to the Canadian Northern Railway Company have been diverted by Messrs. Mackenzie, Mann & Company for their own private purposes, are charges that have been made in the public press. These statements have been previously expressed privately, and the newspapers are now only putting into print ideas which have been repeated in Canada for some years. I propose to attempt an explanation of these matters, giving the official figures of the case frankly.

There are few false statements made without some basis of truth, and a few misrepresentations which have not had a more or less supposedly legitimate origin. The figures that have been quoted in the public press as to the bonds guaranteed and subsidies granted to the Canadian Northern are, as a rule, taken from the official Blue Books of the Dominion of Canada. One would naturally expect to find these figures an exact account of the situation; but curiously enough, a moment's reflection may show that they may fail to portray correctly the relations between the Canadian Northern, or any other railway, and public assistance. There have been placed on the statute books of Canada millions of dollars of cash subsidies which have never been earned, many of the subsidized companies having passed out of existence, and millions of dollars of bond guarantees which have never progressed farther than the original authorizing legislation. The Canadian Northern is not an exception to this general statement. Guarantees have been granted by Provincial Governments for lines and which probably will not be built, which have never been commenced, for years. These guarantees, with unearned cash subsidies to certain branch lines within the system, are charged up by statisticians, casually referring to the Blue Book as against the constructed mileage of the Canadian Northern Railway System. It is the misuse, not the use, of the Blue Books which has created the false impression.

So much for the origin of the misrepresentations that have taken place. Now as to the facts: The Canadian Northern Railway Company has under construction, and expects to have completed by the end of 1914, 9,843 miles of railway. There are completed 8,694 miles, and under operation 7,152 miles. The completed mileage has cost for construction and equipment to December 31, 1913, \$303,319,232. From the Dominion and Provincial Governments and from municipalities, up to the same date, there have been received, by the companies forming the Canadian Northern Railway System, whilst under the control of Mackenzie, Mann & Company, \$20,992,566, in cash subventions, or about seven per cent. of the total cost of the railway mileage constructed. These figures are correct. They include all the cash subsidies received from public sources, as a set-off against the three hundred and three millions of costs before mentioned. When compared with the cash subventions given to either of the other transcontinental railways, or when compared with the total cost of the work and the great economic good which has been and is being accomplished by the Canadian Northern Railway system, these figures must disabuse the public mind of the idea that the Canadian Northern has been over-subsidized, its bonds over-guaranteed, or, to put it mildly, there has been even an opportunity to reinvest the subsidies in outside ventures.

The critic, at this point, naturally asks what about the land grants.

Let me explain in a few words this almost hopelessly misrepresented feature of the case. Briefly the grants were made between 1882 and 1890 to three companies: The Lake Manitoba Railway and Canal Company, the Winnipeg and Hudson Bay Railway Company, and the Manitoba and South-Eastern Railway Company, for the construction of certain defined lines in Manitoba, and the then Northwest Territories. The lands at that time had little value, as by reason of inadequate transportation facilities there was no eagerness to take up farming in Western Canada, and under the homestead regulations the few settlers coming into the country obtained all the land they required for the discharge of homestead duties. The promoters, who had more confidence than finance, were anxious for Western development, and hawked the charters from one end of Canada to the other, seeking, in vain, support from the financial interests. The promoters of the Winnipeg and Hudson Bay Railway visited New York, London and Paris in a fruitless endeavor to arouse an interest in the undertaking. Years after the land grants had been authorized by Parliament, Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann bought the charters carrying the land grants, and built the railways. They did what the financiers of Canada, of the United States, of England and of the continent had, after careful scrutiny, repeatedly refused to do. After the railways had been constructed and the statutory provisions for the grants discharged, Mackenzie & Mann owned the land exactly in the same way as the man on the street owns his watch. If they had then retired from railway building, and had retained the lands, they would be in an enviable position in to-day's world of finance. One would not need to go far back in Canadian history to find examples of men who have done this very thing.

However, this was not the course of action. The lands were turned over to the Canadian Northern and used for issuing land grant bonds. Lands were sold from time to time at market value, and their proceeds applied in reduction of these bonds. Up to the 31st day of December, 1913, there were issued \$24,000,000 of land grant bonds. The land grants made to the company, the charters and rights of which were secured by Mackenzie, Mann & Company, total 4,000,000 acres. The railway company got the benefit of these lands.

It will not be denied that the Canadian Northern Railway has shared in the work of development of Western Canada in the days when it was needed, when Western Canada had been for years practically stagnant. The railways in existence at the advent of the Canadian Northern were located in the southern portion of Manitoba and the then Territories. The Canadian Northern Railway plunged into the comparatively unknown and unsettled country of the North, making for the Saskatchewan River, and subsequently traversed the Saskatchewan Valley, from the Pas Mission to the Rocky Mountains, crossing the river eight times in a distance of one thousand miles. The company brought into the territory tributary to the railway, settlers from the United Kingdom, the United States and Europe, and placed them on the land. By reason of the fertility of the soil, which was questioned at that date, it succeeded in building up a territory which was ultimately to be known, in the expressive nomenclature of the company's emigration literature, as "The Bread-basket of the Empire." There have been expended by the Canadian Northern and its industrial agency, for colonization work, 2,910,000, or an equivalent of fourteen per cent. of the total cash

subventions received by the companies under control of Mackenzie, Mann & Company, Limited.

In assistance of eastern lines, the Ontario Government has granted 2,000,000 acres of land, and the Quebec Government 749,540 acres of land. These lands are wooded, and subjected to certain restrictions, therefore they must be considered in a different light to the infinitely more valuable prairie lands of Western Canada. For example, the Province of Quebec adopted the policy many years ago of giving to grantees the option of accepting 52c per acre in cash instead of the lands, and most of the grantees have preferred the cash. So far, neither the Ontario nor the Quebec lands have been of assistance to the companies in securing finance, and remain unsettled and unsold.

The bonds of companies constituting the Canadian Northern Railway System have been guaranteed by the Dominion and several Provincial governments, and up to December 31, 1913, the companies have received the proceeds of bonds so guaranteed to the extent of \$131,322,660. There is no disposition on the part of the company to minimize the benefits of these guarantees, but it must be acknowledged by the company's bitterest opponents that the guarantees have in no sense been subsidies to the company's undertaking, and that the companies have faithfully discharged all of their interest obligations in connection with these guarantees. The only benefit intended by Parliament, or received by the companies from the guarantees, was that of enabling the sale of bonds secured by first mortgage on better terms than would have been possible otherwise.

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TROUT FISHING SEASON.

Trout fishing will be legal from March 26 throughout the summer months. This is the date fixed for the opening by the Dominion government regulations, which have effect in all parts of the Province. Some confusion appears to have been created in the minds of sportsmen because of the fact that angling was allowed last year from March 15. It was explained recently by the British Columbia authorities that the Federal Act was relaxed in 1913 to allow sportsmen to enjoy themselves over the Easter holidays, which fell considerably earlier than usual. This special arrangement does not now apply, and those who venture out before the date mentioned will be liable to prosecution under the law. Large contingents of enthusiasts are looking forward to the first day of the open season on Vancouver Island. In spite of the reports that the Cowichan river is not as good as it has been, still it will be a favorite resort, and its waters will be whipped from the coast to the headwaters. The opinion is expressed that, as there is not much snow on the hills this winter, the fishing will be first class much sooner than heretofore.

MISTAKEN FOR BIRD.

In the negative of the new Victor feature "Sampson," what seemed to be a bird appeared in one scene, but no notice was taken of it until the picture was projected on the screen. Then it was discovered that the bird was nothing less than an aeroplane, and the whole scene had to be re-taken, for it represented a period B. C. Five hundred extra persons were necessary for the piece.

Sidney Beans

We all know that animals have instinct, but who ever heard of a propeller that could discriminate between parties of politicians.

And yet during the week the heavy weights of the local Liberal Association, who were taking a jaunt to the Islands, were obliged to talk in whispers while on board so that propeller number two should not go back on them.

The scene was the wharf at the foot of Beacon avenue. The tide was just out and so was our friend. He was dressed for the hunt, but it was fruit

he came to raise. He was watching the spouts of water sent up by the claims and not being able to satisfy his mind as to the why and wherefore an appeal for information was made to a certain frequenter of this part of Sidney's wharfage. "Why those are the salt springs that feed the ocean," volunteered the friend in need. "How awfully interesting," remarked the new comer, "and I suppose the entire bed of the ocean is full of these little springs?" But his informant had disappeared.

The O. B. wants to know the meaning of the word "Review" as applied to this paper.

Don't make a fuss over spilt milk. Do as the dogs did on Beacon avenue last Wednesday. Clean it up.

THE CHURCH SERVICES

ANGLICAN CHURCHES.

March 22.—Fourth Sunday in Lent. 11.00 a.m.—Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity.

3.00 p.m.—Services at the Institute North's Cross Road.

7.30 p.m.—Evening Prayer at St. Andrew's.

Next Sunday the monthly service will be held at the Institute, North Saanich at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Services:

11.00 a. m.—Berquist's Small Hall.

3.00 p. m.—South Saanich Church.

7.30 p. m.—North Saanich Church.

Wednesday, 8.00 p.m.—Prayer Meeting.

Ladies' Aid Meeting Second Thursday of each month.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Services will be held in Berquist's Small Hall each Sunday at 3 p.m.

Sunday School at 2 p.m.

A. McLean, Missionary-in-charge.

CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

Church of Assumption, South-west Saanich—Mass every Sunday at 10 a. m.

Church of St. Elizabeth, Sidney—Mass every 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays in the month, at 10 a.m.

Church of St. Paul, Fulford Harbor, Salt Spring Island—Mass every 4th Sunday.

The Catholic settlements on Pender and Mayne Islands will regularly be attended to during the week following the second Sunday.

The priests in charge are the Rev. Father M. M. Ronden and W. Corteraad. Address R. M. D., No. 1, Turgoose P. O. Telephone Y 11.

AT THE TRAPS.

The following were the scores made on the club grounds Saturday. A strong wind interfered with the making of good scores.

L. Horth 23, winning Class "A" button; F. Pfister 16, J. Nichol 20, G. Brethour 22, W. Veitch 17 and D. Horth 19. The latter shot for the first time over the trap and won the button in "B" class, making himself eligible for class "A" in which division he will now have to shoot. This is considered a wonderful performance for a novice.

FANS ARE GUESSING.

Baseball enthusiasts are wondering what is to be the outcome of the movement begun for the transfer of the Victoria franchise. The present owners of the team are in the market for purchasers, and Bellingham men are negotiating for the team. Objections to this has been put forward by the owners of the Vancouver club, and it is generally understood that other owners are adverse to the franchise leaving Victoria, which, in consideration of its population, shows more interest in the game than any on the circuit.



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Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

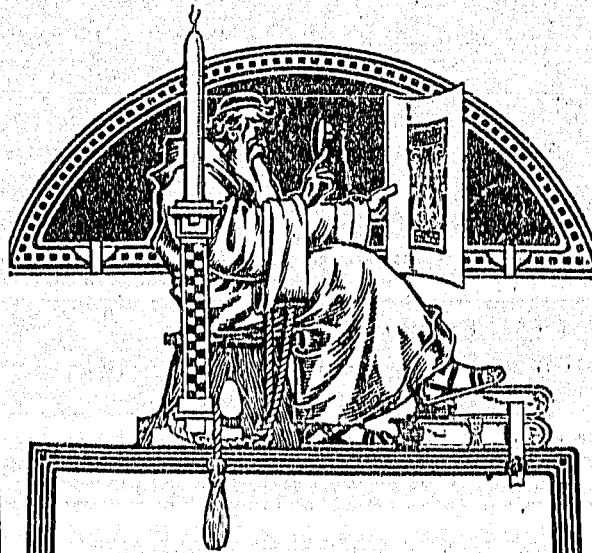
The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of \$10.00 per acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,
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DELICATE INSTRUMENTS USED BY DOMINION GOVERNMENT

Mr. W. W. Moore, chief of the Markets Division of the Dominion Government cold storage operations, has the following to say about the thermograph in the Agricultural Gazette:

When the Dominion Department of Agriculture several years ago arranged by subvention to have mechanical refrigeration installed in seventeen steamers plying between Montreal and British ports, it followed as a matter of course that steps were taken to check the efficiency of the cold storage facilities thus provided, and to keep the refrigerating engineers up to the mark throughout the ocean voyage. Inspection of the refrigerated chambers and the testing of the temperature of the perishable cargo before it was loaded in the ships at Montreal was all very well in its way but there was a blank of some ten to sixteen days between port and port during which time almost anything might happen, so far as temperature was concerned, while the only record available for this period was that furnished by the log of the chief engineer, which gave the thermometer readings taken in the refrigerated chambers twice every twenty-four hours. As the ship's engineer was decidedly an interested party and as the thermometers were not always reliable the evidence of the log while interesting was certainly not conclusive. In casting about for some means to overcome this hiatus in the department's chain of supervision the Commissioner of Agriculture and Dairying obtained in Europe three self-recording thermometers that automatically trace on a chart the temperature during each hour of the 24 and keep on doing this for a period of seven days. These were tested during the summer of 1899 and fully answered expectations. Early in 1900 therefore, an order was given for 30 thermographs to make fourteen-day records with a range of temperature from zero to 90° F. These were delivered and were used that season in the cold storage chambers in the ships running from Montreal to Bristol, Liverpool, etc. Each thermograph was cased in a perforated wooden box which had a handle on top, so that it could be easily carried, and a conspicuous label stating that it contained a delicate instrument which was the property of the Department of Agriculture. The box was locked so that the instrument could not be tampered with. After the clockwork attachment had been wound, the chart placed on the drum and the pen inked, the thermograph was placed in the box, which fitted it tightly, and was then stowed away among the cargo. The first one that was used in the Bristol service was nearly ruined because of the fact that as the longshoremen were unloading packages of butter at Avonmouth they came upon a box from which a clocklike ticking proceeded. The men left the chamber in a hurry and made a unanimous report to the effect that an infernal machine was stowed with the cargo, evidently for the purpose of blowing up the ship and her contents. Volunteers were called for and one brave man stepped forward, entered the chamber, gingerly removed the thermograph and plunged it into a tub of water. Fortunately it was not long immersed as the chief officer soon heard of the "infernal machine" and as he knew what it was soon had the thermograph removed to drier and safer quarters.

The results obtained during the summer of 1900 emphasized the value of the thermograph, and each year since the number in possession of the department has been added to, so that in the coming season the number of thermographs in use will aggregate 220 and comprise three styles recording respectively for 35 days, 14 days and 7 days. Much the greater proportion belong to the second

group, as the bulk of our shipping is with Great Britain, and 14 days covers the voyage. The 35-day records are used in ships sailing to South Africa and Australia, and the 7-day instruments in railway cars carrying fruit, butter, etc.

According to the makers of these instruments the Canadian Department of Agriculture has been the largest purchaser of thermographs for commercial purposes in the world, and in no other country are so many in use either in a public or a private capacity.

In the season of 1913, 560 records of temperature were obtained in the steamers sailing from Montreal and Quebec and to the end of December, 41 records in steamers sailing from Halifax. These records represent temperatures in cold storage chambers, cooled air compartments and in ordinary holds, and cover apples, peaches, pears, cheese, bacon, meats, etc. In some ships carrying large perishable cargoes as many as eight thermographs have been placed.

At first the steamship engineers resented the placing of a thermograph in the cold storage and cooled air compartments, looking upon it as a spy and disliking it accordingly. Of late years, however, they have changed their views as they have found it to be as valuable to the ship as to the shipper. They study the records and if any unusual fluctuation in temperature is indicated they try to discover the cause so as to prevent a recurrence in subsequent voyages. Furthermore an official record of temperature often protects a ship from unjust claims for damage.

When the ship reaches her destination in Great Britain the Cargo Inspector employed by the Department at that port removes the instruments as soon as they become accessible, and takes off the charts which he mails to the Chief of the Markets Division, Ottawa, together with a memorandum giving the name of the vessel, date of arrival and date on which the thermograph was removed. Upon receipt of the charts, full particulars are written on each, such as the steamer's name, sailing date, port of destination, kind of goods stowed away, etc., and they are then used as negatives from which six blue print copies are made; two for office use, one for the produce section of the Montreal Board of Trade, one for the steamship's agents, one for the chief engineer of the steamer, and one for the Montreal office of this branch.

COST OF LIVING INQUIRY.

First Meeting Held of Special Committee of Board of Trade—A Complex Problem.

Members of the special committee of the Victoria Board of Trade, appointed to investigate and report upon certain phases of the high cost of living, assembled last Saturday morning for the first time. Mr. Beaumont Boggs was elected chairman. It was explained that the inquiry will be directed towards the securing of particulars of the wholesale and retail prices of Provincial food products, how a reduction may be effected in the cost of distribution, and by what method the local production of farm and dairy produce may be increased. The discussion on this occasion was of a general character. Emphasis was laid on the importance of the work and on the complexity of the problem. To obtain a thorough grasp of the situation, thus enabling them to make suggestions that might be of value in arriving at some solution, it was agreed that it would be necessary for the members to go into all details at a cost of considerable time and labor. Before adjournment, each member promised to secure all the information possible before the next session. Mention was made of the

necessity of obtaining the assistance of merchants and citizens generally. Any suggestions that can be offered from any source will be welcomed.

THE LAND SHARK.

(With apologies to Woodyard Kindling.)

A fool there was and he placed his wad—

(Even as you—or I)
On a plot and a plan and a lump of sod.

He knew it was cheap,
And we knew it was cheap,
And agents sell, while the angels weep,

O'er the price of G. B. I.
Oh! the price he paid!

For the agent said:—

(With a smile and a leer in his eye)
"I'll help you choose,

For you cannot lose,
You might not win, but you never can lose

On the plot of G. B. I.

Poor son-of-a-gun—
He paid his mon.

(Twas a case of do or die)
The agent got all the money he had;

When the notes came due he went to the bad,

We knew it was pitiful, shameful and sad,

But he never made a cry.
He mortgaged his soul and he mortgaged his socks,

For those lots in G. B. I.
Six, twelve and eighteen—the agent said,

"You cannot lose unless you are dead
The town will grow, and the town will spread,

So pay up for G. B. I."

For G. B. I. is close to town
(As subdivisions go)

Only nine miles from the city hall,
All we need to sell it is plenty of gall,

It's nothing but prairie and guff—that's all,
And investors get nothing but WOE!

Yours for right values,
TRUTHFUL JAMES.

AND THEY ARE TWINS.

It was unfortunate that the Rugby season ended so unsatisfactory. The Rugby Union has declared the Wanderers and James Bay teams joint possessors of the Barnard Cup. After so successful a football season, those interested in the sport would have liked to have seen the two teams play off the tie. The decision whereby the two teams came jointly into possession of the cup and the suspension of the players of the Bays was automatically lifted, was in the nature of a compromise, it being considered at the last meeting of the Rugby Union when the request was made by representatives of several clubs for a general meeting to consider the question of the suspensions that this was the best way out of the difficulty. It has been decided to wind up the season with a joint smoker, the date of which has been set for March 28th. Next season it is expected that three grounds will be available for the rugby players, two at the Willows and one at Oak Bay, and games will take place every Saturday afternoon.

Sidney Board of Trade

The regular meeting of the Sidney Board of Trade will be held in Berquist's Small Hall on Tuesday evening, March 24th, at 8 o'clock.

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LOCALS and PERSONALS

Miss Sangster, of Victoria, as the guest of Mrs. W. R. Armstrong, is visiting in the district for a few weeks.

Mr. H. McInnis, who for the past six weeks has been visiting his sister, Mrs. G. F. Bolingbroke, left on Tuesday for London, England.

Rev. Mr. Wood, a former pastor, will preach at each appointment in the North Saanich circuit on Sunday March 22nd. No doubt there will be a good attendance at each service.

The Ladies Guild of St. Andrew's church hope to hold a sale of work in Berquist's hall on Wednesday afternoon, April 15th. At the sale there will be plain and fancy articles as well as home cookery for disposal.

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A party of salesmen connected with the Canadian Explosives, Limited, left Sidney Thursday morning under the guidance of Mr. Scott on a trip to James Island to look over the plant being erected there.

Mr. Lindley Crease, K.C., has kindly consented to give an account of his walking tour in Japan last summer at the entertainment to be given by the Ladies of St. Andrew's Guild in Berquist's hall on the evening of Easter Tuesday, April 15th.

Elmer John left this week for the north end of the province in order to take up his summer's work near Fort George. He will make the trip via Calgary and Edmonton. His many young lady friends on the Peninsula will miss his genial face, and his automobile.

What the V. & S. did not deem sufficiently important enough to do nature decreed otherwise, with the result that the appearance of the old wharf has been greatly improved by the removal of the tangled mass of piles and sheeting which for some time has been the eye sore of all and the plaything of the winds and waves. Another good storm will probably take its toll off the pier and sometime during the next decade Sidney will probably get a wharf that will be a credit to the town.

Elephant shooting in French West Africa is going to be an even more expensive sport than it is at present, for new regulations have been made providing that a licence must be obtained ere an elephant is shot. The licence will last a year, will cost not less than £40, and will entitle the holder (if he can) to shoot elephants. Any others he may kill will cost him £20 each unless shot in self-defence, in which case "the spoils" must be given to the authorities. It is believed that the regulations will stop the practice of casual poachers coming home with half-a-dozen dead elephants slung on to their gun barrels or hidden in their pockets.

Quite a crowd of people gathered on the wharf last Wednesday to have a look at a couple of spring salmon which had just been caught by Mr. John Reid, who among other things is an ardent follower of Izaak Walton. The fish were splendid specimens of the kind that frequent our bays, and together they tipped the scales at fifty pounds. The catch has put new life into the hearts of the local followers of the art and many a yarn of prowess with the rod and reel was retold, and as there are just as good fish in the sea as ever came out it is safe to say that more than one tangled mass of tackle will be unwound as a result of Mr. Reid's luck.

Miss May Edge, of Vancouver, is spending a few weeks in Sidney as the guest of Miss Griffin.

**LIBERAL ASSOCIATION FORM
CENTRAL EXECUTIVE BODY**

The Convention Took Place at Ganges and was Attended by a Large Number.

Delegates from the different Liberal Associations of the Islands constituency met in convention at Ganges Harbor on Tuesday last for the purpose of forming a central executive committee. The meeting was convened at 2.30 in the afternoon and a large number of delegates were in attendance.

The Sidney and North Saanich Association was represented by Messrs. A. McDonald, E. Blackburn, F. M. Humber, W. Pridham and A. Munro. The most important matter to come up for discussion was, of course, the appointing of the executive committee and the following gentlemen were selected:

Hon.-President—Mr. F. Brewster.
President—Mr. A. McDonald.
Vice-President—Mr. Jas. Horyl.
Secretary-Treasurer—Mr. W. Mouat.
Executive—Messrs. A. Munro, F. M. Humber, C. W. Abbott, W. King and A. H. Menzie.

Several other matters in connection with the welfare of the association received attention and a committee was appointed to select a date and make other arrangements for a picnic to be held at Ganges sometime during the summer.

**MEMBERS OF CLUB WILL
BE ASKED TO DECIDE**

WILL THE SOCIAL CLUB END
THE SEASON BY A MAS-
QUERADE DANCE?

At a meeting of the Sidney Social Club held Wednesday evening at Mrs. P. N. Tester's, for the purpose of discussing the prospects of carrying the club entertainments on during the summer, it was finally decided by those present to postpone all entertainments during the summer months, and if things are favorable to resume them again next October.

There will be at least two more entertainments given this spring and at the one to be held next Thursday evening a vote will be taken on the question as to whether or not the club will close the season with a grand masquerade dance. Do you or do you not want a dance of this description? Think it over and come prepared to talk and vote either one way or the other.

This question came up at the meeting on Wednesday evening but the members present felt that they did not wish to take the responsibility of deciding so important a matter affecting as it does every member in the organization. As a result the matter will be brought up next Thursday evening for settlement.

A committee composed of Messrs. A. E. Moore, W. Lait and W. Whiting was appointed to look into the prospects of securing a tennis ground for the use of the members during the summer.

A BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Master Rhys and Gerald, the handsome and manly little sons of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Davis, entertained a number of their friends Friday afternoon in honor of their birthday, at "Bare Crum," the beautiful home of their parents.

The children played various games in the early part of the afternoon, after which they enjoyed a number of piano solos, played by Mrs. Davis, who proved herself an artist in that line.

At six the dining room doors were opened when the little ones marched in and around the large attractive table, which plainly showed no pains were spared in having a real treat for those who were fortunate enough to have been invited. In the centre of the table (also the centre of attraction) was the big birthday cake with "Rhys, aged 8," on the one half and "Gerald, aged 6," on the other. The little ones were intensely eager to see the candles on that cake burn.

After supper a couple of hours were spent in dancing, then Mr. Nelson Musgrave took the children home in his motor car.

Masters Rhys and Gerald were the recipient of many and useful presents.

Those present were: Little Misses Barbara Parks, Caroline Williams, Dorothy Smith, "Baby" Simpson; Misses Irene Moses, Margaret Thomson, Ethel Thomson, Helen May Williams, Evelyn Moses, Pattie Smith, Phyllis Smith, Edna Parks and Philis Parks.

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FOR SALE.—Eggs for hatching, White Wyandottes; Pekin and Indian Runner Ducks. Apply F. W. Sproule, East Road. Phone R 36.

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